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Claim Listing

Claims 1-5 (canceled)

Claim 6 (previously presented): An exercise club for aiding a user in performance of a variety of exercises, comprising:

a handle formed to have a generally elongate configuration, the handle having a first end and a second end, the handle being further formed to have a diameter near the first end such that it can be gripped by the user;

a main body connected to the handle and arranged to extend lengthwise from the second end thereof, the main body being formed to have a cavity therein that has an open end and a closed end such that the cavity has a side wall and a bottom, the cavity being formed to receive a weight therein; and

a first plurality of ribs extending from the side wall toward a central region of the cavity such that the first plurality of ribs have inner edge portions that form a receptacle for retaining the weight in a selected position in the cavity.

Claim 7 (canceled):

Claim 8 (previously presented): The exercise club of claim 6 wherein the main body comprises:

a hollow generally frustoconical section having a smaller diameter end connected to the handle and forming the bottom of the cavity and the generally frustoconical section having a larger diameter end extending away from the handle; and

a hollow generally cylindrical section extending from the larger diameter end of the generally frustoconical section, the first plurality of ribs being formed to extend from near the open end to the second plurality of ribs, the first plurality of ribs being arranged to snugly fit with the weight.

Claim 9 (amended): The exercise club of claim 8 further comprising an end cap arranged for attachment to the open end of the main body to retain the weight within the cavity, the end cap including a recess therein, the weight being formed to have a length such that it extends from the bottom of the cavity into the recess in the end cap, the end cap further including a plurality of ribs that extend radially between perimeter

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portions of the end cap and selected locations inside the end cap to form a retainer for securing a lower end portion of a weight placed in the cavity against movement relative to the end cap so that the lower end portion of the weight is centered within the end cap, the end cap being formed to be removable from the main body so that the user may place one or more of a plurality of weights in the cavity.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The exercise club of claim 6 wherein the weight comprises a plurality of elongate concentric cylinders.